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H.B. No. 3081

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to a person qualified to serve as a special or temporary  
3 justice of the peace.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Section 27.055(c), Government Code, is amended  
6 to read as follows:

7 (c) In Subsections (b) and (f), "qualified person" means:

8 (1) a person who has served as a justice of the peace  
9 or the judge of a county court at law for not less than four [4-1/2]  
10 years and who has not been convicted of a criminal offense that  
11 involves moral turpitude; or

12 (2) a licensed attorney in this state in good standing  
13 and with experience relevant to the practice of law in a justice  
14 court.

15 SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only  
16 to a temporary or special justice of the peace appointed on or after  
17 the effective date of this Act.

18 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.